KEYSPAN ENERGY DELIVERY NEW ENGLAND D.T.E. 05-68

FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY TO KEYSPAN ENERGY DELIVERY NEW ENGLAND

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Q. In reference to page 59 of the filing, the Company states that 40 percent of sendout comprises commercial and industrial customers. Please indicate what percentage of the commercial and industrial customers have dual fuel capabilities.

A. The Company currently has 303 dual fuel customers in Massachusetts. These customers represent approximately 0.4 percent of the total 78,732 commercial/industrial customers at year-end 2004. Of the 303 dual fuel customers, 192 are either sales customers or Customer Choice customers that rely on utility capacity for supply delivery. Their peak-day requirements are estimated to be approximately 14 BBtu, or 1 percent of the Company's total forecasted Base Case design day requirements of 1,224 BBtu. The remaining 111 dual fuel customers are Customer Choice customers who are not eligible for mandatory capacity assignment and therefore are responsible for procurement of their own upstream interstate transportation capacity.